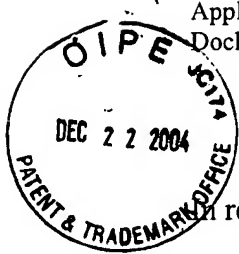


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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 22, 2004, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire December 22, 2004. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.